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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1 through 43 (Cancelled).

44. (Previously presented) A method of producing a chemical monolayer construction,

said method comprising:

(a) providing a substrate consisting of conductive carbon, said substrate having a

contact surface; and

(b) reacting a chemical precursor bearing molecular units with said substrate so as

to form a monolayer of a plurality of substantially parallel molecular units

attached to said contact surface of said substrate, wherein said molecular units

are attached to said substrate through a conjugated bond and wherein said

molecular units have an average length, said contact surface of said substrate

has a roughness value substantially less than or equal to said average length of

said molecular units.

45. (Cancelled).

46. (Cancelled).

47. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction, said construction

comprising:

(a) a substrate consisting of conductive carbon, said substrate having a

contact surface; and

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- a monolayer of a plurality of substantially parallel molecular units attached to said contact surface of said substrate through a conjugated bond.
- 48. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47, wherein said molecular units have an average length and said contact surface of said substrate has a roughness value that is substantially less than or equal to said average length of said molecular units.
- 49. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 wherein said substantially parallel molecular units are of substantially the same length.
- 50. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 wherein said substantially parallel molecular units comprise at least two types of molecular units of different lengths.
- 51. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 wherein said roughness value is less than 200 Angstroms.
- 52. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 wherein said roughness value is less than 20 Angstroms.
- 53. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 wherein said roughness value is less than 5 Angstroms.

- 54. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction according to claim 47 additionally comprising a source of electrical current supplied to said substrate so as to be conducted by said plurality of substantially parallel molecular units.
- 55. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction, said construction comprising:
 - (a) a substrate having a contact surface; and
 - (b) a monolayer of a plurality of substantially parallel molecular units attached through a conjugated bond to said contact surface of said substrate, wherein said substantially parallel molecular units comprise at least two types of molecular units of different lengths.
- 56. (Currently amended) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 wherein said substrate comprises conductive carbon.
- 57. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 wherein said molecular units have an average length, said contact surface of said substrate having a roughness value that is less than or equal to said average length of said molecular units.
- 58. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 wherein said roughness value is less than 200 Angstroms.

- 59. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 wherein said roughness value is less than 20 Angstroms.
- 60. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 wherein said roughness value is less than 5 Angstroms.
- 61. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 55 additionally comprising a source of electrical current supplied to said substrate so as to be conducted by said plurality of substantially parallel molecular units.
- 62. (Previously presented) A chemical monolayer construction, said construction comprising:
 - (a) a substrate comprising conductive carbon, said substrate having a contact surface; and
 - (b) a monolayer of a plurality of substantially parallel molecular units attached to said contact surface of said substrate through a conjugated bond, wherein said substantially parallel molecular units comprise at least two types of molecular units of different lengths.

- 63. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 62, wherein said molecular units have an average length and said contact surface of said substrate has a roughness value that is less than or equal to said average length of said molecular units.
- 64. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 62, wherein said roughness value is less than 200 Angstroms.
- 65. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 62, wherein said roughness value is less than 20 Angstroms.
- 66. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 62, wherein said roughness value is less than 5 Angstroms.
- 67. (Previously presented) The chemical monolayer construction according to claim 62 additionally comprising a source of electrical current supplied to said substrate so as to be conducted by said plurality of substantially parallel molecular units.